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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to the new uses of a polypeptide (retinoic acid-inducible gene 1; RAIG1, also known as hypothetical protein FLJ10899 or retinoic acid induced 3) compositions comprising the polypeptide, including vaccines, antibodies that are immunospecific for the polypeptide and agents which interact with or modulate the expression or activity of the polypeptide or the expression of the nucleic acid which encodes the polypeptide. The use of the polypeptide in the diagnosis, screening and treatment of carcinoma, e.g. breast cancer, pancreatic cancer, lung cancer, liver cancer, ovarian cancer, colon cancer and/or osteosarcoma, is also provided.

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Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

2. Claims Nos.: 18-19; partially : 1,10,20 because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
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3. Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.

2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.

3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:

4. No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

Remark on Protest

The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.

No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Continuation of Box I.2

Claims Nos.: 18-19; partially : 1,10,20

Present claims 18-19 and 20 (partially) relate to agents defined by reference to a desirable-characteristic or property, namely which interacts with or causes the expression or activity of said polypeptide (RAIG1), or the expression of said nucleic acid molecule, to change.

The claims cover all agents having this characteristic or property, whereas the application provides no support within the meaning of Article 6 PCT nor disclosure within the meaning of Article 5 PCT for such agents. In the present case, the claims so lack support, and the application so lacks disclosure, that a meaningful search over the whole of the claimed scope is impossible. Independent of the above reasoning, the claims also lack clarity (Article 6 PCT). An attempt is made to define the agents by reference to a result to be achieved. Again, this lack of clarity in the present case is such as to render a meaningful search over the whole of the claimed scope impossible. Consequently, no search has been carried out for those parts of the claims which relate to the above identified subject-matter.

Present claims 1 embodiment (i)b) and 10 : embodiment (iii)) relate to derivatives defined by reference to desirable characteristics or properties, namely retaining the activity of RAIG1 or being a dominant negative mutant.

The claims cover all derivatives having this characteristic or property, whereas the application provides no support within the meaning of Article 6 PCT nor disclosure within the meaning of Article 5 PCT for such derivatives. In the present case, the claims so lack support, and the application so lacks disclosure, that a meaningful search over the whole of the claimed scope is impossible. Independent of the above reasoning, the claims also lack clarity (Article 6 PCT). An attempt is made to define the derivatives by reference to a result to be achieved. Again, this lack of clarity in the present case is such as to render a meaningful search over the whole of the claimed scope impossible. Consequently, no search has been carried out for those parts of the claims which relate to the above identified subject-matter.

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that claims, or parts of claims, relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established need not be the subject of an international preliminary examination (Rule 66.1(e) PCT). The applicant is advised that the EPO policy when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority is normally not to carry out a preliminary examination on matter which has not been searched. This is the case irrespective of whether or not the claims are amended following receipt of the search report or during any Chapter II procedure.